

TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1906.

**MARSHALL FIELD HAS
CHANCE FOR HIS LIEE****Improvement In His Condition Monday Afternoon Gives
Rise to Hope He May Pull Through.****FIELD FORTUNE SAID
TO BE \$50,000,000**

C. J. Jan. 15—Personal
friends of Marshall Field and
others who know of his in-
firmity have made this es-
timate of his wealth.

C. J. real estate \$40,000,000
St. Paul & Northern Pacific Co. 20,500,000
W. L. & O. 2,000,000
B. & O. 10,000,000
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C. J. City Rail- way stock 10,000,000
New York Real Es- tate 10,000,000
United States bonds and railway bonds 25,000,000
Total \$150,000,000

It is said that the late
Marshall Field, who died
last week, left an estate
worth \$50,000,000. This
figure is based on the
value of his real estate,
his stock in the various
railroad companies, and
his other property. It is
said that the late Mar-
shall Field was one of the
wealthiest men in the
United States. His estate
is said to be worth more
than that of any other
man in the country. The
late Marshall Field was
born in 1832 and died in
1905. He was a member
of the United States Sen-
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**BLOCKADE OF
ISTHMUS FREIGHT****Is Alleged to Be Due to the
Southern Pacific Rail-
way Company.****TAFT BEFORE COMMITTEE****Shows That The Affairs On
the Canal Are In Good
Condition.**

Washington, Jan. 15.—The
committee on commerce
of the United States Sen-
ate today heard the testi-
mony of William Howard
Taft, secretary of the
Panama Canal Company, in
connection with the
blockade of the isthmus
freight. Taft testified
that the affairs on the
canal were in good con-
dition and that the
blockade was due to the
Southern Pacific Rail-
way Company.

HARPER WAS GENEROUS**Gave Liberally While He
Lived—Estate Consists
of Insurance.**

Chicago, Jan. 15.—It was
announced today that
the estate of the late
Charles Harper, who died
last week, consists almost
entirely of life insur-
ance policies. It is es-
timated that he left an
estate worth \$500,000. The
late Harper was a well-
known Chicagoan and was
one of the leading finan-
ciers of the city. He was
born in 1832 and died in
1905. He was a member
of the United States Sen-
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leading financiers of the
country.

**HONORS FOR
THE AMERICANS****Spanish Warship Give Their
Salute Upon Arrival
at Algeciras.****GERMAN AND FRENCH MIX****Understood Emperor's Dele-
gates Will Be Modest In
Their Demands.**

Madrid, Jan. 15.—All de-
legates of the powers rep-
resented in the Madrid
conference arrived here to-
day. The delegates of the
United States, France, and
Germany arrived by the
night train, while the dele-
gates of the other powers
arrived by the day train.

**LAWYER PATRICK GETS
NEW LEASE OF LIFE****Governor Higgins Grants Reprieve till March 19 on the
Ground of Newly Found Evidence.**

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 15.—Al-
bert T. Patrick, the New York
lawyer convicted of murder
and awaiting execution in
Sing Sing prison next week
for the murder of William
Mush Rice in New York
city in September, 1900, was
reprieved by Governor Hig-
gins until March 19.

**PRINCE PHILIP
GETS DIVORCE**

Given Absolute Separation from King
Leopold's Daughter.
Catharine Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and
Gotha, Jan. 15.—Prince Philip, Duke
of Edinburgh, and Catharine
Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and
Gotha were granted an
absolute divorce by the
British court of divorce.
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on the ground of the duke's
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IS A LIBERAL LANDSLIDE**Party Continues to Make
Surprising Gains In
English Elections.**

London, Jan. 15.—A liberal
landslide was predicted to-
day by the Liberal party
after the results of the
English elections. The Lib-
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gained a majority of seats
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**SENATOR CULLOM
STARTS TO SOUTH**

Hopes to Benefit His Health at St. Aug-
ustine, Fla.
Washington, Jan. 15.—Sen-
ator Cullom, chairman of the
committee on foreign rela-
tions, left Washington to-
day for St. Augustine, Fla.
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GENERAL LIZOVSKI KILLED

Russian Revolutionist Murders Him
and Makes Escape.
Peking, Russia, Jan. 15.—Major Gen-
eral Lizovski was murdered
today by a Russian revolu-
tionist. The revolutionist
made his escape. General
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Russian official. He was
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DOOLING ASKED TO QUIT.

Springfield Official of Court of Honor
Told to Step Down.
Springfield, Ill., Jan. 15.—The
official of the court of honor
in Springfield was asked to
quit today. The official was
told to step down. The
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to step down. The official
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ORCHARD HELD.

Childs' Orchard Held for
Mortgage.
Chicago, Ill., Jan. 15.—The
orchard of the Childs family
in Chicago was held for a
mortgage today. The or-
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ABANDON CHEROKEE.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 15.—Cap-
tain Archibald and his two
mates, and the life-saving
crew, tonight abandoned
the steamer Cherokee. The
steamer was abandoned. The
steamer was abandoned to-
night. The steamer was
abandoned. The steamer was
abandoned tonight. The
steamer was abandoned. The
steamer was abandoned to-
night.

**HARVARD CUTS
OUT FOOTBALL**

No More of It Until the Game Has
Been Reformed.
Boston, Jan. 15.—Official announce-
ment that inter-collegiate
football has been prohib-
ited at Harvard by a vote
of the board of overseers.
The game is to be re-
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COFFIN DISMISSED.

Cadet Guilty of Hazing Must Leave the
Academy.
Washington, Jan. 15.—Sen-
ator Bonaparte today ap-
proved the sentence of
dismissal imposed by court
martial on a cadet guilty of
hazing. The cadet must
leave the academy. The
cadet must leave the aca-
demy. The cadet must leave
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**LOCK CANAL FAVORED
BY THE PRESIDENT****Makes It the Subject of a Special Message Which Goes
To Congress Today.**

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a message favoring a lock
canal. The message is said
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HOLLAND MEETING.

There will be a Holland meeting
at Goodway Mission Tuesday
evening, Jan. 16.

THE LOCAL WEATHER.

The local weather conditions for the
twenty-four hours ended at 11 p. m.
Monday, as reported by J. H. Coon-
radt, government observer.

5 a. m.	50
Noon	54
7 p. m.	54
Highest	56
Lowest	34
Precipitation02

**KEEP OUR HANDS OFF LIABILITIES RUN
TO \$1,900,000****Senate of Opinion That We
Should Let European
Question Alone****OPEN SESSION TALK**

Washington, Jan. 15.—The
senate today held an open
session. The senate discussed
the question of the
European situation. The
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PAYNE CONFIDENT

New York Member Says the Philip-
pines Bill Will Pass.
Washington, Jan. 15.—A
member of the United States
senate today expressed con-
fidence that the philippine
bill would pass. The mem-
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AMERICAN CONSUL DEAD

Washington, Jan. 15.—The
American consul in Manila
died today. The consul was
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REACHES MILLION.

Prior's Forgeries Grow As Invest-
igation Proceeds.
Washington, Jan. 15.—The
investigation into the for-
geries of the late President
Roosevelt is said to be pro-
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NOMINATIONS.

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SMOOTS BILL PASSED

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**COASTING SLED AT
40 MILES AN HOUR**

Hits a Cutter and Four Persons Are
Badly Hurt.
Cuba, Jan. 15.—A coasting
sled, carrying four persons,
was coasting down the coast
of Cuba today. The sled
hit a cutter. Four persons
were badly hurt. The sled
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HUGHES RIDER IS GOVERNOR

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PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE

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Pennsylvania legislature was
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DEATHS OF THE DAY

New Rochelle, N. Y., Jan. 15.—
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ROUGH RIDER IS GOVERNOR

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DR. SPAULDING'S PAPER ON PEDIGREED SWINE

At the meeting of the State Swine Breeders' Association, held at the Hotel Hamilton, Chicago, Jan. 14, Dr. T. B. Spaulding read a paper on "The Value of Blood Lines in a Pedigree," and it was well received. The paper was a most interesting and valuable contribution to the knowledge of the swine breeder. It was a paper of the highest quality, and it was well received by the audience. It was a paper of the highest quality, and it was well received by the audience. It was a paper of the highest quality, and it was well received by the audience.

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Nature will soon assure you that "God is not mocked," and that you cannot perpetrate an outrage upon divine providence. It will be seen that a pedigree is quite a problem; and that the breeder's problem, like that of the farmer's, calls for thought, for sense and science of the highest sort. But my inquiry presses for an answer. And now let us consider a pedigree given a pedigree with blood lines of splendid breeding, not closely akin, shall we be certain of superior offspring? We must remember that the elements that enter into such a pedigree often breed back to each other, and thus, in your phraseology, it does not pick up but unite kindly with each other. Shall we then seek to perfect our pedigree still further by introducing out crosses or alien animals from such out crosses, to regular results. What may we reckon on? What rely upon when we purchase an animal purely from rich blood lines of the pedigree? In other words and in the language of our subject—What is the value of blood lines in a pedigree? Abstractly and standing alone, stripped of every qualifying consideration, a pedigree is but strongly presumptive, not positive, evidence. But, carefully experienced and coupled with not only the best of breeding and the best of individuals, such as have proved to be the best, but also with a pedigree with remarkable uniformity, whose blood lines, while not closely akin, are yet sufficiently related to blend together the size, the symmetry, the stamina, the form and features, and all the excellencies of the dominant strain, and if the different blood lines of such a pedigree have provided, by actual experience to kindly combine, in breeding together, then the blood lines of such a pedigree should be considered as of the highest possible value, provided the animals are correctly conditioned and cared for. So that in all this complicated question, it requires more than eyes to see. There must be brains behind them. A leading artist was asked by his assistant, "The one priceless ingredient I put into all my pig is brains." Having obtained the ideal pedigree, which we have just suggested, the problem of best breeding demands yet more. The best pedigree is not all sufficient, for all such, without kindred and special care and liberal feeding, and a special and liberal feeding, is the best possible breeding. A pedigree is not all sufficient, for all such, without kindred and special care and liberal feeding, and a special and liberal feeding, is the best possible breeding.

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It is pointed out that foreign shipping could not be drawn upon in time of war because of the neutrality laws, so that under present conditions "the quick fix" would be very and unpleasantly important, cannot be struck at all. Incidentally the staff criticized with the greatest freedom the conditions under which the first little American army was transported to Santiago to begin the Spanish-American war.

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CRITICISE LACK OF TRANSPORTS

General Staff Will Tell Senate There Is a Fatal Weakness.

COULD NOT MOVE TROOPS

To Insular Possessions In War Times Under the Present Condition.

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DRYDEN BILL IS REVISED

Meets Approval of Administration and Many Prominent Men.

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FEAR OMEN OF BLOOD

Tragedy In Russian Restaurant Frighten People of St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 11.—The sanguinary tragedy in the famous restaurant "The Bear" at an early hour this morning in which the student Davidoff was shot and killed by Count Sheremeteff and the count was badly battered by friends of the dead man, has cast a shadow over the new year festivities. The custom of making new year calls obtains in Russia to a larger extent than any country of the world and at every reception today the affair at "The Bear" was a subject for conversation, it being universally accepted by superstitious Russians as an augury that blood, passion and violence will reign in the empire in 1918.

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MANY ATTEND FUNERALS

Burials of Jerry Nicholson, Samuel Adams and C. M. Stephens.

The funeral of Jerry Nicholson, only son of Mr. and Mrs. George Nicholson, was held at the Cumberland Presbyterian church, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The services were conducted by Rev. J. W. McDonald, pastor of the church, and the music was furnished by the choir, Miss Emma Travis, Miss Jeanette Trammann, Horace McDavid and Forest File.

The funeral of Samuel Adams was held yesterday afternoon from the residence, 146 East Cermeno street, the services were under the auspices of the order in December present, as well as a large delegation from Sullivan. The services were conducted by Rev. S. H. Sawyer and Rev. R. W. Gammon.

The funeral of Charles M. Stephens was held yesterday afternoon from St. Patrick's church. The funeral was held under the auspices of the Grocers' association of this city, and a large number of that body were present. The services were conducted by Rev. Father Murphy. There were many beautiful floral tributes. Among others there was an especially handsome wreath from the grocers' association of which Mr. Stephens was a member. The attendance was large. The pallbearers were selected from the association and were as follows: Joe Schenck, Fred Barth, Dan Dinnen, C. C. Kyle, Fred Kipp and E. L. Culver.

The burial was at Calvary cemetery.

POVERTY FROM LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. Joseph Watton Sick Three Years and Needs Help.

Only Hope Is to Get Her to the Hospital.

"I wish that I might have passed away last night when I had a bad attack and then I would be out of all my trouble."

This is the sad statement of Mrs. Joseph Watton who is suffering from illness which for three years has been dragging her down.

"I would have been relieved at death," she said, "as it is hard to be so sick and so poor. For three years I have suffered. I weighed 195 pounds and now I weigh only about 100 pounds. I cannot eat and am starving and we are very poor."

Worthy of Help. Mrs. Watton is the wife of Joseph Watton and resides at 945 North Clayton street. Misfortune in the shape of continued illness has placed the man and his wife in sad circumstances and they are worthy of help and need it.

Watton formerly worked as a junk buyer for the Wilson junk shop but he has had so much sickness lately that he has not had time to work. He and his wife some years ago took a boy to raise. The boy is grown but he is so nearly blind and otherwise disabled that he cannot be counted on for assisting the couple in any way.

Lost All Money. For three years Mrs. Watton has been ill. She has stomach trouble and requires constant care. The husband has tried to nurse her and do his own cooking and all the house work and has tried to work too.

"When I was well," Mrs. Watton said, "I had some money saved but it gradually was all used up. We got more poor all the time and finally I had to sell the carpet from my floor. Medicine has cost money and my sickness has made us worse off every day."

The story as told by Mrs. Watton is a sad one. Her stomach trouble is so bad that she cannot eat anything and she is gradually starving to death. Physicians who attend her say that if she could be taken to the hospital she could be given care she needs and could probably be cured but in her present circumstances there is not much chance to help her.

WOMEN, AFTER FOUR MURDERS, WARNED BY CHICAGO POLICE

Told Not to Venture In Unsafe Places and Not to Display Money or Jewels—Details of the Last Tragedy.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 14.—Chief of police Collins issued this astounding warning to women:

"Women of Chicago: Stay indoors unless accompanied by an escort; don't display your jewelry or your money conspicuously; keep a sharp lookout wherever you are."

The warning is due to the record of mysterious women murders in Chicago which are as follows:

Mrs. E. F. Mize, murdered in Washington avenue, one of Hyde Park's quietest streets, Aug. 22, 1905. No arrests.

Mrs. Bessie Hollister, murdered in her flat in Evanston avenue, No. 21, 1905. No arrests.

Mrs. A. W. Gentry, murdered in her fashionable apartment, Jan. 6, 1906. No arrests.

Mrs. Bessie Hollister, murdered in her flat in Evanston avenue, No. 21, 1905. No arrests.

Mrs. Bessie Hollister, the latest victim, was a beautiful and accomplished woman. She was strangled to death in a stable yard Friday night by Richard G. Lyons, a degenerate of 21 years.

After carrying her from the street and choking her until she was insensible, Lyons finished the fiendish work with a piece of light weight copper wire. This he twisted around Mr. Hollister's neck, outside of a fur collar, and tied it into a twisted knot on the back of the neck.

The body was discovered and there were bruises on the face and head.

Lyons has made a confession, which for moral depravity, has no parallel in police records.

At the inquest yesterday C. W. Hollister, brother-in-law of the victim, attempted to show Lyons, the prisoner's recital of the crime.

Lyons, however, drew a revolver, leveled it at Lyons, but before the hammer fell he was seized by three policemen. There was a struggle for some minutes, then Hollister was disarmed and arrested.

Mrs. Hollister was the wife of Frank H. C. Hollister, head of one of the largest printing plants in the city.

She was 30 years old, a church worker, and a church member. She left her home at 488 Fullerton avenue to order supplies for the funeral and a floral tribute for a friend who was to be buried in the afternoon.

She gave her orders at a grocery store, and a florist's. She was not seen again on the street by a friend. She did not appear at the funeral and the police and her family cannot explain why she was for seven hours.

In his confession, Lyons says he saw Mrs. Hollister at 7:30 p. m. near a newspaper shop and barn of his father, 488 Fullerton avenue. He spoke to her and she started to run away. He seized her and holding his hand over her mouth carried her across the street and into the stable. "She screamed several times," confessed the ruffian, "and then I choked her until she stopped. Later I found the wire on the barn floor and tied it around her neck. I don't know why I did that, for she was not able to talk when I tied it with the wire."

Covered the Body with Refuse. "I went to a saloon and got a couple of drinks and in about two hours I went back to the stable. I saw then that she was dead. I carried the body out in the yard and covered it with refuse. This morning I told my father there was a body of a dead girl in the yard. He saw it and called for the police."

When Mrs. Hollister did not return to dinner Friday night Mr. Hollister made an investigation and notified the police of her disappearance.

Mrs. Hollister was a woman of great personal charm and handsome, and for years had been prominent because of her voice, which was considered to be of extraordinary quality. She was well known in musical circles on the North side and frequently sang at musical entertainments.

Lyons is big and brutal looking.

Tales Of The Track

Archibald Zimmer's Unprejudiced Start at the Racing Game.

Among the racehorse followers who have shaken the west and taken up their residence in New York is Archibald Zimmer who was a catcher from childhood, and he never has lived since his past. He came naturally by the tricks of the racing trade, but in his early professional career there cannot be a single spot where he made a mistake. He can get anything that anybody has, but he does not need it now. He has arrived at the goal of the horseman's ambition, which means that he has got his and has it properly protected.

Zimmer swarmed on the racing game about a dozen years ago with a horse ridden past called Simrock. Simrock was worth a bundle that let him out. A badge was all that Archibald needed in those days, but Simrock had a handicapper for feed, and his owner found it necessary to provide him with it in order that he might put up a respectable appearance. When Simrock hit at New Orleans seven years ago the room clerk at the fair ground couldn't place him. All the stalls were filled with more or less fashionable racehorses, and Zimmer was put to it severely to find lodgings for his meat ticket. He rose to the occasion, however. He told the attendant of the spavined steed to lead him into the first stall he found vacant. After one false move out, Simrock was told to move out. He was shifted into another vacant stall only to be served with another writ of restitution.

"See here," said Zimmer to the barn boss, "I guess you don't know who this horse belongs to."

"He's yours, isn't he?" asked the faithful barn dog.

"Mine? Not on your life! This horse belongs to President Bush, and he'll be a pretty man if he finds out I've been tossing around from one place to another."

"Well, if that's the case," said the attendant, "we'll have to take care of him. Just have your man lead him over to the mule barn. I reckon he'll be well taken care of over there."

Simrock beat one sad eyed mule out of three meals a day for three weeks, but he was spoiled for racing purposes. According to Zimmer, all the hair fell out of his tail, his ears grew a foot and a half long, and he developed a Wagnerian voice that greatly disturbed the other quadrupeds in the neighborhood.

There was a race in the book that seemed to fit Simrock. It was a race for horses that had lived under false pretenses since early childhood, and the owner carefully set about preparing him for it. He told the exercise boy to enter him around the track for a lap or two and throw six fast furlongs into him in about 1:20.

The clockers were early astir that morning. Simrock broke from the starting line, but down about the furlong he came up to the mule track that was pulling the harrow. There he flopped his ears and came to a dead wall. He fell in beside the long eared pal whose feed he had stolen and could not be persuaded to leave him.

After that Zimmer gave him up for a hopeless degenerate.

Tom McCall Has a Run In with a Chicago Alderman.

Tom McCall has arrived in New Orleans for the winter season. He came clean from Memphis. The word "clean" in this case is used advisedly. It also has something to do with the context. Things have not been coming superabundantly for Tom in late years, but he has a few good friends who wish him well, and who would go a little farther than that for him. One of these friends is "Chicago" alderman, who likes his company. This "Chicago" alderman visited Memphis last summer to attend the race meeting there. McCall had one horse, which won one race in three years and then was disqualified. The horse's name was I. Goldstein, and the Chicago alderman had lost enough money on him to fit out a dozen gorgeous gin palaces. McCall called at the hotel where the alderman was staying one morning and seemed painfully ill at ease.

"What's the matter with you, Mac?" asked the Chicago friend.

"I don't know, Mike," said McCall, "but I think I'm troubled with a little ergasia."

"Go in there," said the alderman, pointing to the bathroom adjoining his apartment, "and take a bath. I guess that's what you need."

"No, Mike," said McCall, "I've registered a vow not to do anything like that until I Goldstein wins a race."

"Well, then, you conmaught Johnster," said the alderman. "I guess we'll have to dry clean you."

SIXTEEN ARE RESCUED AT SEA

Passengers On Stranded Clyde Liner Now Safe.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 14.—After spending 24 hours in terrible anxiety lest they be wrecked and lost in the sea, sixty passengers and the crew of the Clyde line steamer Cherokee, bound for Santo Domingo from New York, were rescued Friday, were rescued this afternoon by Captain Mark Castle and a picked crew in the sloop yacht Alberta.

London, Jan. 15.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Tribune says he has received a letter from Count Lamsdorff, the foreign minister, to the effect that the Russian government intends shortly to present to the various countries a draft of the program of the second peace conference at The Hague.

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The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers are remodelling their hall in Masonic block and will make it into a date lodge room with all conveniences.
 Conductor Tom Boyle and Engineer Emmitt, who have been in Centralra road for several months, returned to Clinton and London.
 Electrician and Engineer Harry M. Clark, the Central and Decatur men, Miss Kate Wallace of Springfield, visiting her sister here.
 Mrs. George Henderson of Keosauqua is visiting friends here this week.
 Miss Jada Allen of Chestnut Hill, Clinton Friday on business.
 Mrs. Fannie Bowers and a high school class visiting relatives in Springfield, work.
 John Thomas and wife who have been visiting here have returned to their home in St. Louis.

Dr. Temple's Candor.
 The bravagueness and candor of Dr. Temple manifested itself no where he might be or in whose company.
 On one occasion he was dining together with a colonial pretlate, Queen Victoria. Said her majesty the latter.
 "You preached before me just twenty years ago in St. George's church."
 "I am not likely to forget that," replied the madman—the greatest of my kind.
 Thereupon the eminent ecclesiastic improved the occasion by laying his knife and fork and exclaiming in amazed admiration "What a memory madman!"
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 But this was too much for Dr. Temple who cracked out.
 "I told the queen of that vermin herself a few minutes ago, and you me tell her majesty!"

Egotism.
 "So you object to being called a poleon of finance?"
 "I do," answered Mr. Stax recently. "Napoleon had his faults. There is no reason for giving him the credit Napoleon grounds for giving him the Dustin Stax of war attacks.—Washington Star

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The business have just been celebrating Christmas and as if it was a piece of earth and good will toward men.

It is said that no bank cashier ever stands ready to give to charity. Doubtless he did but he was the whole thing and not a cent.

Perhaps, if Arizona and New Mexico are admitted simultaneously as one state the president will recognize them as twos and none them by a fitting memorial.

Apparently the Missouri attorney general might feel better if he were to employ a spec of Missouri muds to pull the facts out of Rogers.

Somewhere between the old democratic convention and the governor's inaugural address the declaration favoring the initiative and referendum has been lost or stolen. It got the corner, however.

Considering the number of times the stock has been reported approaching the White House and the absence of any note of its arrival may have a depressing effect on the campaign against Ross's side.

The contest of the primaries in the south an order in Indiana is said to be between Frankbanks and Reynolds. For control with the chances in favor of the vice president with long odds.

Charles J. Davis and Senator Cushman of Arkansas, who are engaged in a competitive campaign for United States senator are both white and both democrats, but the fact they are getting along as well as they are doing is nearly as rare as a white elephant.

The war is doing to his families. A rich Russian, it is said, is a good sport upon the military education of children for the benefit of France. But what does a Russian official know about a military condition when he reads the papers?

The suit of Sals is a considerable creature. He offered to marry Miss Alice Roosevelt and has made a date at New York. His first proposition was not accepted, but it is said the second one has been accepted and we may expect the distinguished Neokaskan to return wearing a pig hat and no clothing except an an of native charm.

INCREASING CONCENTRATION OF WEALTH.
The wealth of Croesus, says the Tribune Telegraph-Herald, was estimated at three million dollars, but compared with American fortunes of today, his wealth was as an ant hill to a mountain. Cleveland Moffett, writing in Success, declares that there are seventy American estates that average thirty-five million each. The wealth of New York is estimated by the Herald at eighteen billion dollars, and it is the richest city in existence, Josiah Strong says in "Social Progress" that the wealth of the nation is increasing at the rate of eight million dollars a day and that two-thirds of the increase goes to people already rich.

Mr. Moffett, estimating the wealth of the Rockefeller family at one billion dollars, shows that "if at the birth of Christ Mr. Rockefeller had begun making \$1 a minute, and had not at that time accumulated all day and all night for all these centuries, it would not yet, in 1905, have amassed one billion dollars."

Next to Rockefeller are a few men, whose wealth aggregates a billion. They are Marshall Field, W. R. Vanderbilt, John Jacob Astor, J. P. Morgan, Russell Sage, J. J. Hill, Senator W. A. Clark and William Rockefeller, making the total wealth of ten men two billion dollars. "Twenty men," declares Mr. Moffett, "indirectly control nearly all the remaining wealth of the country, since whatever comes out of the mine, whatever is fed by it must pass over their lines of transit and through their factories and at their terms before it can get from the producer to the consumer."

R. J. Dan & Co. and Henry W. Hall, editor of Moody's Magazine, have stamped their approval on Mr. Moffett's estimate that 5,000 men in America own fifteen billions of wealth—ten owning two billion, 400 owning three billion and 4,500 owning ten billion. At the present rate of increase of wealth in the hands of those already rich, the 5,000 in thirty or forty years will have fifty or 100 billion.

At the wealth of the country is narrowing at an alarming rate to the possession of a few, the income of one-third of the population is less than \$100 per annum, of the one-half less than \$500 and of the other half less than \$1,000. Ten million Americans are nearly one-eighth of our population and are in hopeless poverty.

Barrows, the historian, says in the "Philosophy of Materialism": "Fortune polished when one per cent of the people owned all the land, Egypt, most when two per cent owned the wealth. Babylon did when two per cent owned all the wealth, and Persia, and when 1,800 men possessed the known world."

Whither are we drifting? The epoch of crumpled powers is early, when the same wealth, corruption, vice, decay is to be our finish or with the influence of Christianity, perhaps not a city in the United States of this size without a public building. This is unjust, but as before stated a square deal has little show in public building matters.

The following sent out from Washington Friday is encouraging for us: "The statement of Representative Bartholdt, chairman of the house committee on public buildings and grounds, to that committee today confirms the prediction in these dispatches yesterday that there will be a public building bill at this session."

The committee met today, and at the conclusion of the session the subcommittee were announced, and it was stated that hearings would be commenced soon on important new bills when requested. Each member of the committee will handle all bills relating to his state, Representative Bartholdt, chairman, will have to do with Missouri bills and Representative Rodenberg of East St. Louis will handle the Illinois bills.

"Mr. Bartholdt stated that if the financial condition of the treasury continued as at present there would be every indication of the passage of an omnibus public buildings bill at the present session. He announced that it was his intention to put the subcommittee to work on the different parts of the work have been assigned to work within a week to ten days, so that a bill might be perfected and ready to report to the house by the later part of March."

EDITORIAL COMMENT.
Congressman Nick Longworth's opinion of the Philippine seems to correspond with that of others who have personally investigated them.

There are other things to be said in San Domingo besides being president. One of them is to make an escape with a whole skin.

Secretary Taft has reduced his weight twenty-two pounds by horseback riding. The fact that the horse is now away back does not worry him.

The press dispatches indicate that Miss Allen will get enough wedding presents to start a curiosity shop.

It takes a mighty optimistic fellow to get ready for the harvest this winter.

When Jake Stoll got the banker's daughter he made the catch of his life.

Tom Lawson is so mad that he won't talk, but this is confined only to Peoria. He will continue to entertain the rest of the world.

Assurance is given tobacco dealers by Congressman Longworth that a man who smokes a Philippine cigar will never smoke another. A Wholesaler is said to be a Perfecto in comparison.

Mr. Pault Bigelow announces his complete willingness to tell the committee all he knows about Panama. If Pault is not made into a small sized greasy spot after Secretary Taft goes through with him it will not be because the big man is not loaded.

In looking for his get poor quick schemes Mr. Carnegie might unload on Russia.

BROM TO CHESTER PENITENTIARY
Prisoner Taken to Penitentiary Last Night.

Deputy Sheriff Art Hendricks left last night with Ray Brom for Chester, where Brom will begin serving an indeterminate sentence for the murder of Richard L. Roberts.

MONUMENT FOR MORTON.
Indiana Soldiers Plan Honor for the War Governor.

Danville, Ind., Jan. 14.—Jesse S. Ogden Post (G. A. R.) is making a strenuous effort to raise a large sum of money as Hendricks county's contribution to the Morton monument fund. With this object in view and to more thoroughly arouse public interest, a mass meeting was held in the courthouse in Danville and was addressed by prominent speakers, among whom was the Rev. D. R. Lucas of Indianapolis. State commander of the G. A. R. At this meeting a movement was also started to erect a suitable monument in Danville in commemoration of Hendricks county's soldier dead.

HIS TURKEY AN EAGLE.
Farmer Surprised at Game in Barnyard Trap.

Shelbyville, Ind., Jan. 14.—Henry McCarty, a Washington township farmer, saw what he thought to be an extraordinarily large turkey in his chicken yard. As he approached he was surprised to see the big bird rise from the ground and fly away, while in its claws, squawking, was a large Plymouth Rock hen. Expecting a return for it, the bird, McCarty set a steel trap for it, and the next morning found in a trap a large black eagle, which measured 7 feet 1 inch from tip to tip.

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of \$10,000 for the purposes of the tournament.

In addition to this the city of Havana offers the magnificent challenge cup for a long distance race, which was won last year by Enrique J. Conill, president of the International Racing association of Cuba. The Cuban government is also interested in the project, and President Palma has assured the managers of the race meeting that the board of public works will have the road between Havana and San Cristobal, where the long race for the city of Havana trophy will be run, in the best of condition. The government will place the entire road at the disposal of the race authorities. The course will be guarded by soldiers and police and hundreds of bicyclists from Havana will patrol the course.

The trophy race, which will be 200 miles long, will be run on Sunday, February 11. The start will be on the San Cristobal road, about three miles outside of Havana, and there will be a straightaway course to San Cristobal, fifty miles away. This road will be covered four times and there will be patrols, where time will be taken out. Bicycle patrols are to be stationed all along the road to warn off spectators and disabled machines. The patrol system worked so well last year in preventing fatalities. On Tuesday, February 13, there is planned a series of short races of one, five and twenty kilometers and an English mile. February 8 and 9 short tours are to be held at various points in Cuba.

USE 20,000 BALLS A SEASON.
New York National Leads With an Average of Nine a Game.

Over 20,000 balls are used a season by the base ball teams in national agreement leagues. The New York National league club used in the neighborhood of sixty dozen balls last year for its home games, irrespective of the world's series. Sixty dozen means 720 balls, and as the home team was scheduled for seventy-seven games on its home grounds that means a fraction of over nine balls a game. This seems like a good many, but there is plenty of use for them. A couple of new balls are handed to the umpire when the game begins, new ones are thrown out when those knocked over or three new ones are given to the pitchers before each game for use in limbering up, and sometimes balls knocked into the crowd mysteriously disappear.

The New York Nationals use as many balls as any team, probably none, though the New York American management is liberal in supplying new ones, and since the American league adopted the rule of furnishing new balls to umpires instead of throwing out discolored ones from the bench, the ball supply in that organization has increased. Some big league organizations with a strict eye to economy can get through a season with forty dozen balls, but that is below the average.

Two big leagues between them will use about 1,000 balls in one season. In leading minor leagues, such as Eastern and American associations, each club may use as many as thirty dozen balls, the clubs of smaller leagues using about ten or fifteen dozen apiece.

Michael Fogarty Is Dead.
Michael J. Fogarty, well known to devotees of semi-professional ball, who died at Los Vegas, N. M., January 10, will be buried from the residence of his sister, 2804 Stoddard street, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Fogarty was one of the best known of local amateur ball players, and is particularly remembered from his identification with the Reporters, Globes, Diels and Magazine teams.

PURDUE SQUABBLE ENDED.
Split Over Election of Captain Is Settled by Directors.

Lafayette, Ind., Jan. 14.—The board of directors of the Purdue Athletic association has appointed Ernest Ivins, Holdson of Indianapolis captain of the varsity basket ball team, this course having been made necessary by a factional quarrel last season, which prevented the election of a captain by the eligible men at the close of the season.

Roy Shackleton, the foot ball player, and Edward Glover, the pole vaulter, were candidates for the captaincy, and there were six eligible men to vote. The vote was 3 to 3 and the deadlock could not be broken. There was considerable fraternal feeling; the candidates belonging to different social societies. The board of directors finally disbanded the team and this year there has been a complete reorganization. Holdson is a junior and a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity. He has played on the team two years, but was off the team last season with a very bad knee.

Charles B. Jamison of Terre Haute has been engaged to coach the team and has already begun his work. There are twenty candidates on the squad and a number of promising players. All but one member of last year's team was graduated last June. Shackleton being the only remaining one. He and Holdson and De Los, a substitute last year, form the nucleus of the new team, but there are a number of likely new men including LaFollette of Shoelace, a high school of Indianapolis. Sargent, a former member of the team, is expected that by next winter Purdue will have one of the finest gymnasiums in the middle west.

Delephantys Will Not Be Outlaws.
Jim and Frank Delephantys have declined the invitation of Arthur Irwin to jump their respective clubs in order to play with the Atlanta outlaws. The other two brothers will not be molested by Irwin.

THE INDOOR ATHLETIC MEET

Y. M. C. A. and J. M. U. Will Compete For Honors Thursday.

OFFICIALS CHOSEN. And Teams Made Up for the Various Events.

Almost all the arrangements for the track meet and basket ball game between the university and the Y. M. C. A. have been completed. It is now practically certain as to who will represent the competing teams, and most of the officials have likewise been chosen. Other details will be announced later. The meet will occur Thursday night in the Y. M. C. A. building. An admission price of 25 cents will be charged. Next score cards, on which will appear the names of the contestants and the various events will be printed and distributed to the spectators.

There will be seven events in the meet in addition to the basket ball game. The meet will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. The basket ball game will be the closing event of the contest. Later in the season there will take place another, and the closing meet of the series. The date of this later meet has not been definitely fixed as yet. The team winning the highest number of points in both meets and best basket ball games will be awarded a beautiful banner appropriately designed.

Most of the officials for the meet Thursday night have been selected. They are as follows: Referee, A. H. Beck; starter, Professor R. G. Stevenson; two of the three timers will be Coach Ashmore and Director Keyser. The officials unselected are three judges, a clerk and a score keeper. Ashmore will referee, and Mr. Keyser will umpire, the basket ball game.

Basket Ball.
The line-up for the basket ball game will be as follows:

University—Forwards, Ritz and Gray; center, Mueller; guards, Merris and Bennett. Pease, Taylor, Pile and Edmundson will play as substitutes.

Y. M. C. A.—A. Ross and E. Ross, forwards; Spies, center; Thrift will play one guard, and either Russell, Keller, Barr or Rucker, the other guard. The halves will be twenty minutes each.

The Races.
It is not absolutely positive as to who will represent the Y. M. C. A. in the other events, but the following are likely candidates and will probably make the teams. The variety representatives will be as given below:

Half-Mile Race.
Y. M. C. A.—Varsity—Parrish, Hickie, Shoup.

Twenty-Yard Dash.
Y. M. C. A.—Varsity—Russell, Pile, Record, Ruggan, Riegan, Pensinger.

Rope Climb.
Y. M. C. A.—Varsity—Russell, Paddon, Richmond, Knuff, Matsumoto.

Hitch and Kick.
Y. M. C. A.—Varsity—Tolladay, Morrow, Wilson, Bauer.

High Jump.
Y. M. C. A.—Varsity—Spies, Shumway, Wilson, Garland, Bauer.

Long Dive.
Y. M. C. A.—Varsity—Spies, Russell, Tolladay, Surface.

Potato Race.
Y. M. C. A.—Varsity—Tolladay, Parrish, Morrow, Banksen.

The potato race will in all probability be the most interesting event of the entire meet. It will be conducted as follows: For each contestant there will be arranged two boxes, thirty-one feet apart. These boxes are three feet high. On each box there will be placed another box twelve inches square and four inches deep. In one of the small boxes will be placed seventeen medium-sized potatoes. The object of the race is to see how quickly each contestant can, by running from one box to the other, remove all the potatoes from the one into the empty one. He must run completely around the boxes and must not drop or overturn any of the potatoes. Each contestant is going through this same performance at the same time with his pair of boxes. The race is said to be exceedingly thrilling and much interest centers in it. Masaji Matsumoto, the Japanese student at the university, will be on the varsity rope-climbing squad.

American Horse Wins English Race.
The American horse "Conroy," by St. Leonards, out of Lady Invercauld, won the Rugeley Steeplechase at Wolverhampton, England, carrying 159 pounds. Conroy, now the property of Lord Villiers, won the Brooklyn handicap for James R. Keene four years ago.

La Grippe lets up?
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WILL WED THIS MONTH

Approaching Marriage of Edward Hegarty and Miss Leahy.

DATE IS NOT YET SET. At St. Patrick's Catholic church Sunday the banns were read announcing the approaching marriage of Edward F. Hegarty and Miss Elizabeth Leahy.

The date has not yet been decided upon definitely, but the wedding will occur during the latter part of January.

Both Mr. Hegarty and Miss Leahy are well known in Decatur.

INCREASE IN RAILROAD VALUE
Interesting Figures Given Out by Michigan Officials.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 14.—An announcement tonight by the state tax commission of railroad property in Michigan is valued at \$7,668,000, an increase of \$1,000,000 over last year. In determining the valuation the commission acted under the Galbraith law. The average rate of taxation for the state as now fixed by the board is \$14.61 per \$1,000 of equalized valuation, as compared with \$16.82 last year. Equalized valuation of express companies in the state is \$1,487,000 and of car loading companies \$708,300.

Entertained Friends.
Mr. and Mrs. King of 304 South Webster street, entertained a few friends at their home Sunday evening. About ten were present. A pleasant time was had by all.

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POULTRY SHOW AT
Eastern Illinois Association Meeting.

Mattoon, Jan. 14.—By the Eastern Illinois association, held in the show room held by the Mattoon association, the most successful history of the society.

The annual election of officers of the association was held. The president of the association was elected. The officers of the association were elected.

BIG SYNDICATE SHOE SALE

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The purchase of the M. Shoe Syndicate this winter appreciated more than ever the strained condition of the economy and consequent advance caused by the manipulation of the market. It is a great better trust this will thrifty people a remarkable opportunity to secure no other conditions of combination of power and skill could such shoes be obtained at this price. A combination of luck is to beat the trust and the act the benefit.

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Men's Shoes



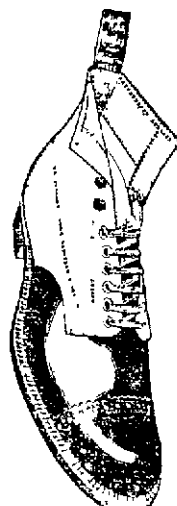
Hanan \$5.00 Shoes, \$3.48—Hanan & Son's shoes, patent, patent calf, mottled leather, heavy winter soles. **\$3.48**

Hanan & Son—\$6.00 Shoes **\$3.98**

Reduction on Douglas Shoes—Douglas \$3.50 Patent calf and calf skin. Up to date styles, winter weights, \$3.50 kind **\$2.98**

Maker's Loss—Men's \$4.00 Vici Kid and Velour Calf, Cushion Sole Shoes, Blucher and Lace. Such shoes as are sold at Marshall Field, in Chicago. **\$2.98**

Maker's Loss—Men's \$3.00, \$3.50, and \$4.00 Shoes, High Cut of all kinds, Dress and Street Shoes. From a celebrated maker, all new and up-to-date. Bargain in every pair \$1.98, \$2.48 and **\$2.98**



Misses' and Children's Shoes



Children's Shoes from Portsmouth, O., the home of Children's dependable footwear.

Maker's Loss—Misses' and Children's Good Shoes of patent calf, kid Skin, Box Calf and Vici Kid Heavy soles, newest styles. Regular \$2.50 grades **\$1.79**

Maker's Loss—Misses' and Children's Shoes, fine stylish shoes from Portsmouth and Columbus, O., all leather, worth to \$2.00. Misses' styles **\$1.49**
Children's styles **\$1.24**

Maker's Loss—Boys' fine shoes, heavy welted Soles, Box Calf, Vici Kid and Patent Calf, \$2.50 **\$1.69**
Maker's Loss—Boys' fine Dress and School Shoes, Box Calf, Kangaroo Calf and Vici Kid. Regular \$2.00 Shoes **\$1.59**
Youths' size **\$1.49**
Little Boys' size **\$1.24**

Boys' Shoes



Ladies' Shoes



Reduction on Queen Quality \$1 and \$3.50 grades. All stylish and seasonable shoes, \$1.98, \$2.19, \$2.48 and **\$2.69**

Maker's Loss—Through the Syndicate we made a remarkable purchase of Ladies' Shoes, Drew Selby, Irving, Drew, and Julian Kokenge, all leathers, patent kid, patent calf, Vici kid and Velour

and gun metal calf—button, lace and Blucher styles. These shoes are worth \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00. Advance styles, \$2.48, \$2.98 and **\$3.48**

Maker's Loss—From a maker whom we are requested to withhold the name as the shoes are sold in Decatur for \$3 and \$3.50. Patent kid, Patent Calf and Kid SFin. Your choice **\$1.98**



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Maker's Loss—Men's \$3.00 shoes, \$1.98, Box Calf, Patent Calf, Patent Calf, Vici Kid, Dress and Street shoes, Kangaroo Calf, Oil Grain, Seal Grain and Puritan Calf work shoes, Henry Wright and Seamless styles. All worth \$2.50 and \$3.00. All **\$1.98**

Maker's Loss—Men's \$2.50 extra quality Work and Street Shoes. Every style and kind. Shoes that can't be equalled **\$1.98**

Maker's Loss—Men's \$2.00 Satin and Casco Calf Dress, Street and Work Shoes, blucher and Lace styles **\$1.49**

Maker's Loss—Men's \$1.75 Satin Calf shoes, Good dependable shoes **\$1.24**

Men's \$1.50 Bal Calf Shoes, **99c**
Your money back: goods exchanged and we won't look cross



Children's Shoes

Maker's Loss—Misses' and Children's Dress and School shoes, Worth \$1.75 only **\$1.24**

Maker's Loss—Misses' and Children's Solid Leather Dress and School Shoes, Worth \$1.50, only **98c**

Maker's Loss—Children's Shoes, all kinds and descriptions, Worth \$1.25, now 79c, 64c and **49c**

Maker's Loss—Infant's Shoes, all kinds, 29c, 39c and **49c**

Maker's Loss—Infant's Soft Soled Shoes, Worth 50c, now 7c, 19c and **25c**

Maker's Loss—Misses' and Children's House Slippers, worth 50c, at **19c**

Boys' Shoes

The Bargain Seeker's Home for Boys' Shoes. Various kinds, \$2.00 grades only **\$1.49**

Various kinds, \$1.75 grades, only **\$1.24**

Various kinds, \$1.50 grades, only **98c**



Ladies' Shoes



Maker's Loss—Ladies' \$2.50 Shoes **\$1.84**. A big purchase of fine shoes, Patent Calf, Vici Kid, Dongola, and Box Calf. Stylish and dependable. Worth \$2.00, only

Maker's Loss—Ladies' Sunday and Every day Shoes, Fine Dongola, Button, Lace or Blucher. Worth \$2.00 only **\$1.49**

Maker's Loss—Ladies' \$1.75 shoes all kinds. Some Dongola, some Calf Skin, some box calf, some fleece lined. Worth \$1.75, only **\$1.24**

Maker's Loss—Ladies' Fine Kid and Dongola Lace Shoes. Good new styles. Worth \$1.50, only **98c**

Maker's Loss—Ladies' Fine House Slippers. 50c to \$1.75 kind, 25c to **98c**

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